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Velina Miller Quality Building Stone 993 West 14730 South Bluffdale, Utah 84065

Subject: <u>Timetable for Reclamation and for Submitting Reclamation Sureties and Mine Plans:</u>

<u>Quality Building Stone; Weston #1, Torrey Buff, and Lucero Red Quarries; S/007/0039, S/055/022, and S/055/023; Carbon and Wayne Counties, Utah</u>

Dear Ms. Miller:

Over about the past year, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has been requesting additional reclamation surety for the referenced mines. The Division understands that you have had difficulties obtaining additional surety.

To better define the amount of surety needed, please provide and complete the following within the time frames shown:

- 1. Maps to both the BLM and the Division defining the current disturbed area boundaries and the proposed reclaimed areas for the Torrey Buff Quarry, S/055/0022 by July 31, 2014. For the Division, the maps need to be submitted as an amendment to the Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (Notice), and the acreage in the text of the Notice needs to be modified to be consistent with the map.
- 2. Maps to the Division defining the current disturbed area boundaries and proposed reclaimed areas for both the Lucero Red quarry, S/055/0023, and the Weston #1 quarry, S/007/0039, by July 31, 2014. The maps need to be submitted as amendments to the Notices, and the acreage in the text of the Notices needs to be modified to be consistent with the maps. The Division has measured the disturbed area of the Lucero Red quarry as 6.5 acres, and the current Notice indicates it is five acres.
- 3. Complete reclamation on the proposed reclaimed areas no later than December 1, 2014. The reclaimed areas must be seeded using a seed mix approved by both the BLM and the Division. Active and reclaimed areas need to be marked using metal posts and signs or other means acceptable to both the BLM and the Division.

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In a July 17, 2014, meeting, Scott Miller of Quality Building Stone agreed to provide permitting documents, contracts, and production records for the Torrey Buff quarry to the BLM within the next 90 days (October 15, 2014).

The Division and the BLM will determine the amount of required reclamation surety after receiving updated maps and will also decide upon a new time frame for submitting the sureties. The required surety amounts are based on information in the following table.

Small Mine Operation Bond			700
3-year esc	calation (2017	)	
<u>Item</u>	Qty	<b>Unit Cost</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
1st Acre Disturbance	1	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Add'l Acres Disturbance		\$5,000.00	
Mob/demob over 101-150 miles	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
5-year esc	alation (2019	))	
<u>Item</u>	Qty	Unit Cost	<b>Total Cost</b>
1st Acre Disturbance	1	\$8,300.00	\$8,300.00
Add'l Acres Disturbance		\$5,200.00	\$0.00
Mob/demob over 101-150 miles	1	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00

You will have the option of submitting the escalated amounts for either 2017 or 2019. These are the years when the Division would next evaluate the required surety amounts.

Please review the Notices and make any additional changes that may be required, such as ownership or contact information. Please list Scott Miller as a contact person if you would like the Division to work with him directly on these issues.

Please contact Wayne Western at 801-538-5263 or me at 801-538-5261 with questions about this letter. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Paul Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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cc: Sue Fivecoat and John Reay, Hanksville BLM (sfivecoa@blm.gov and jreay@blm.gov) P:\GROUPS\MINERALS\WP\M055-Wayne\S0550022-HansenTorreyBuff\final\directive-07212014.doc